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1. WE ARE AIRMAILING SUGGESTED REVISIONS SELECTED PASSAGES IN SUMMARY, COUNTRY PROFILE, AND APPENDIX A. HOWEVER, OUR REVISIONS ESSENTIALLY UPDATING OF FACTS AND FIGURES AS AGREED IN DISCUSSIONS HERE WITH WHITE AND RYDLUN AND IF STATE/COMMERCE WISH TO PROCEED WITH THESE DRAFTING CHANGES WE SEE NO PROBLEMS.

2. WITH RESPECT TO SPECIFICS IN SECTION 111., FY 1975 OBJECTIVES, OUR NOTES SHOW THAT WE AGREED TO DELETE THERE (AND IN ANNEX A) AIR CONDITIONING AND REFRIGERATION CATALOG SHOW AND CATERING EQUIPMENT SHOW. WE SUPPOSE REVISED SECTION 111 AND ANNEX A WILL ALSO REFLECT FACT THAT STATE OF ILLINOIS IOGA MISSION ON AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT NOW SCHEDULED FOR FY 75; AND THAT PROVISIONAL DATES FOR US SOLS EXHIBIT, IF IT TAKES PLACE, WERE TENTATIVELY AGREED WITH FIEDLER AT SEPTEMBER 1975 OR POSSIBLY VERY EARLY 1976. WE NOTE THAT LAGOS INTERNATIONAL TRADE FAIR, LISTED IN APPENDIX C FOR POSSIBLE PARTICIPATION IN FY 75 IS NOW SCHEDULED FOR LAST QUARTER OF CALENDAR 1976, THAT IS FY 76.

3. IN SECTION IV, ACTIONS, WE REQUEST THAT ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR BE DESIGNATED COORDINATOR OF COUNTRY ACTION TEAM IN SUPPORT TO DCM, WHO WILL CHAIR TEAM.

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RM IN SECTION V, RESOURCE AVAILABILITY, WE NOTE THAT STATEMENT
IN PARA. 2 TO EFFECT "REQUEST FOR TWO ADDITIONAL FSL'S AND
TRANSFER OF A VACANT OFFICER POSITION IS PENDING" IS IN ERROR
ALL 5 FSL POSITIONS NOW AUTHORIZED ARE FILLED AND WE HAVE NO
RPT NO REQUESTS OUTSTANDING FOR ADDITIONAL FSL'S. VACANT OFFICER
POSITION MENTIONED IS PRESUMABLY THAT INTENDED FOR TRADE CENTER
DIRECTOR BUT THIS SLOT HAS BEEN EXTINGUISHED. IN SAME SECTION WE
NOTE THAT WE AGREED WITH RYDLUM THAT MAN DAYS TABLE ON PAGE 22
WOULD REFLECT FACT THAT AT LAGOS 6 OFFICERS ARE ACTIVELY ENGAGED
IN ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL WORK.

5. WE ARE AIRMAILING UPDATED ORGANIZATION CHART SHOWING NAMES AND
GRADES IN ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL SECTION, AND SENDING SEPTTEL ON
ESTIMATES OF FUNDS AVAILABLE., AS REQUESTED IN PAGE 2 OF SECTION V.

6. APPRECIATE KNOWING IF STATE/COMMERCE REQUIRE ANYTHING VB
FROM US FOR COMPLETION CCP.
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